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charging a fee to the financial account in response to the request.

16. (Original) The method of claim 14, wherein the health status is provided and an identity of the first user is withheld.

17. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising:

determining a plurality of population health statistics from the plurality of health statuses, including the first health status.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17, further comprising:

receiving, from a second user, a request for at least a portion of the population health statistics; and

providing the requested portion of population health statistics to the second user.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein the providing step further comprises:

receiving a financial account identifier corresponding to a financial account; and

charging a fee against the financial account, in response to the request.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

receiving, from a second user, second data corresponding to a health statistic of the second user.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

receiving, from the user, second data corresponding to the health statistic of the user at a separate time;

analyzing the second data to generate a second health statistic of the user; and

storing the second health statistic of the user.

22. (Withdrawn) A computer-readable medium encoded with processing instructions for directing a processor to perform a method for compiling health information, the method comprising:

establishing a database for storing a plurality of health statuses of a plurality of users,  
wherein the database is centrally-accessible;

receiving, from a user, data corresponding to a health statistic of the user, the data generated by a health monitoring device;

determining a health status of the user from the health statistic;

storing the health status in the database; and

updating a population statistic based on the health status and the plurality of health statuses.

23. (Withdrawn) An apparatus for compiling health information, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory operatively connected to the processor for storing processing instructions directing the processor to:

establish a database for storing a plurality of health statuses of a plurality of users, wherein the database is centrally-accessible;

receive, from a user, data corresponding to a health statistic of the user, the data generated by a health monitoring device;

determine a health status of the user from the health statistic;

store the health status in the database; and

update a population statistic based on the health status and the plurality of health statuses.

24. (Withdrawn) An apparatus for compiling health information comprising:

means for establishing a database for storing a plurality of health statuses of a plurality of users, wherein the database is centrally-accessible;









31. (Withdrawn) An apparatus, for submitting acoustical cardiovascular data to a central database, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory operatively connected to the processor for storing processing instructions directing the processor to:

receive, from a user, a request to detect a cardiovascular signal of the user;

initialize a cardiovascular monitoring device connected to a computer in response to the request;

measure the cardiovascular signal during a startup routine performed by the computer;

receive, at the computer, at least a portion of the detected cardiovascular signal of the user; and

transmit data based on the received cardiovascular signal to a central database for storage in a record corresponding to the user.

32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the health status is the user's cardiovascular age factor.

